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Chishio KOSHIMIZU et al.) Group Art Unit: 1765
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For: PLASMA PROCESSING)
APPARATUS AND PLASMA)
PROCESSING METHOD)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

In reply to the Office Action dated February 13, 2003, the period for reply having been extended for one month by a request for extension and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following remarks:

REMARKS

Claims 23-32 are pending in this application.

In the Office Action dated February 13, 2003, the Examiner rejected claims 23, 24, and 27 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,494,522 to Moriya et al. ("Moriya") in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,769,952 to Komino et al. ("Komino"); rejected claims 25 and 26 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Moriya in view of Komino and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,155,331 to Horiuchi et al.